STATE OF MINNESOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIV EHEARINGS FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Petition of Heron Lake BioEnergy, LLC and Federated Rural Electric Association to Serve Heron Lake BioEnergy Ethanol Plant

THIRD PREHEARING **ORDER**

WHEREAS, Interstate Power and Light Company, Heron Lake BioEnergy, and Federated Rural Electric Association jointly requested, by letter dated April 27, 2006, that all deadlines and filing dates in the current procedural schedule be extended by one month: and

WHEREAS, good cause has been shown for such a continuance;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Paragraph 3 of the First Prehearing Order issued on February 13, 2006, is hereby revised as follows:

Prefiled Direct Testimony May 30, 2006

Prefiled Rebuttal Testimony June 19, 2006

Prefiled Surrebuttal Testimony June 30, 2006

Second Prehearing Conference

(by telephone conference call)

July 12, 2006, at 2:30 p.m.

Evidentiary Hearings

July 31 – August 1-2, 2006 (location to be determined)

The parties shall inform the Administrative Law Judge by June 15, 2006, of their preference regarding the hearing location.

All other provisions of the First Prehearing Order shall remain in effect.

Date: May 4, 2006

s/Barbara L. Neilson

BARBARA L. NEILSON Administrative Law Judge